1	2	3	4	5
11	Madhya Pradesh	0	104.66	104.66
12	Andhra Pradesh	0	94.35	94.35
13	Assam	0	39.22	39.22
14	Haryana	0	12.33	12.33
15	Himachal Pradesh	0	7.48	7.48
16	Kerala	0	513	5.13
17	J&K	0	19.59	19.59
18	Manipur	0	13.53	13.53
19	Maharashtra	0	10.02	1002
20	Nagaland	0	423	4.23
	TOTAL	1542.111	3306 379	4848.49
Disbursement for BPL		55.46		55.46
Claims & for enabling activities				
	GRAND TOTAL	1597:571	—	4903.95

This includes loan component of 10% of project cost.

Power situation in Assam

4219. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state.

(a) whether Government are aware of the prevailing electricity shortage in Assam,

(b) if so, whether any steps are being taken to counter the problem; and

(c) the status of setting up of private electricity plants in Assam which have been gathering dust in the Ministry for 5-6 years?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE): (a) The State of Assam witnessed energy shortage and peaking shortage of 9.6% (33 MU) and 16.6% (114 MW) respectively during April, 2007.

(b) Electricity being a Concurrent subject, supply and distribution of electricity in a State/UT is in the purview of the State Government/State Power Utility concerned. The Government of India supplements the efforts of the State Government by establishing power plants in Central sector through CPSUs.

At present, Assam has, besides firm share of 508 MW in Central Generating Stations (CGSs), 102 to 114 MW allocation from the unallocated quota of CGSs of the region, which is the highest among the North-Eastern States. In addition, the State has been provided 50 MW and 100 MW during peak and off peak assistance from the NTPC stations in the Eastern Region respectively.

Further, Bongaigaon TPS (4x60 MW) of ASEB has been taken up by the NTPC for setting up a new 3x250 MW capacity power plant at the existing site.

(c) As per the Electricity Act, 2003, any generating company may establish, operate and maintain a thermal generating station without obtaining license under this Act, if it complies with the technical standards relating to connectivity with the grid specified by Central Electricity Authority. However, concurrence of Central Electricity Authority is required for setting up hydro-electric generation projects involving a capital expenditure exceeding a specified sum.

No proposal for setting up of private electricity plants in Assam has been received in the last six years in Central Electricity Authority for clearance.

Energy potential in the country

4220. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any assessment on future energy potential has been made throughout the country; if so, the details thereof,

(b) the status of energy potential in the North-Eastern Region, State-wise; and

(c) the steps Government propose to take to harness that potential?